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National Park Service Founders' Day *Featuring - Children's Archaeology Activities* August 25, 2007

The public is invited to Effigy Mounds National Monument to celebrate National Park Service Founders' Day on August 25, 2007. Congress established the National Park Service on August 25, 1916, "*to promote and regulate the use of the...national parks...to conserve the scenery and natural an historic objects...to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner...as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.*"

On Saturday the 25th, the morning and afternoon will be filled with activities for all ages.

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Scrapbooking Workshop: The workshop will use a National Parks Scrapbook page which can be purchased at Effigy Mounds bookstore. Volunteers will help participants make two pages which will include personal photos. Participants should bring 8 to 10 photos and **be sure to make reservations by calling 563-873-3491.**

**11:30 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
Rest of the Day:**

National Park Symphony by Russ Finley: classical music national park videos. **Adventure and Great Undertakings: Herbert Hoover's Childhood in West Branch** and "**Earthshapers**" – the story of Effigy Mounds National Monument will play throughout the day in the visitor center auditorium.

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Children's Archeology events:

- A. Children will be able to see archeological artifacts and may attempt a simulated archeological dig
- B. "Stones, Bones, and Sticks" is discussion and demonstration of early Native American tools.
- C. Children may participate in the creation and design of pottery as the early inhabitants would have done. The monument will provide the materials and the children will provide the creativity

Founders' Day events including **children's archaeology activities** are planned with the goal of making the community aware of their own national monument and the importance of the ancient people who once lived here in mind.

Effigy Mounds National Monument is located three miles north of Marquette, Iowa, and 22 miles south of Waukon, Iowa on Highway 76. For more information, call 563-873-3491.

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